Town of Goshen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday July 13, 2021

This meeting held in-person and recorded via Zoom.us and is available as a recording

PRESENT: Robert P. Valentine, Dexter S. Kinsella, Mark Harris

OTHERS: Cindy Barrett; Todd Carusillo; John McKenna, Republican American; Patricia Sanders, Todd Carusillo.

1. Call to order: Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 06, 2021:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of July 06, 2021 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: Selectman Harris felt it should be noted that in the approval motion for the Special Event Permit for the Falcon Ridge Festival, it was understood that parking and public entrance will be on the same side of the road (Rt. 63), and that no alcohol will be served, therefore there would be no need for police presence.

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant - July 01, 2021

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of July 01, 2021 in the amount of \$44,037.62. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$14,616.24 and the warrant in the amount of \$29,421.38. Voted unanimous.

Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – July 15, 2021

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of July 15, 2021 in the amount of \$1,498,642.88. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$18,426.87 and the warrant in the amount of \$1,480,216.01. Voted unanimous. Invoices highlighted: Barnwell of CT (Public Works tires) \$2,103.24; Eversource \$2,330.45; RSD #6 - \$1,446,821; Trinity Health, paramedic intercept - \$2,560.

Public Comment: Mr. Carusillo asked the identity of fees for "Trinity Health", and was told it was a paramedic intercept for more serious ambulance calls. Ms. Barrett complimented the Public Works department trimming/mowing of the grass/weeds on the sides of the roads greatly enhanced the visibility when driving on Goshen's roads.

6. First Selectman's Report:

Bob reported that we have two "Special Events" permit applications that will be up for review – the Podunk Bluegrass Festival, August 12th – August 15th 2021, and the Goshen Fair, September 4th, 5th and 6th, 2021.

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Bob reported that as of July 1, 2021, it became legal for adults in Connecticut to possess and use marijuana. However, the legalization potentially creates issues for municipalities, particularly Public Works crews that are regularly subject to random drug testing. The Selectmen will avail themselves of the seminar (zoom) which outlines the pros and cons of this new law. CCM also is putting together a webinar for this purpose.

Matthew Sweet has become Goshen's new Treasurer. He, in turn, will appoint a Deputy Treasurer.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the appointment of Patricia Sanders to the Goshen Library Board whose term begins immediately and expires November 2, 2021, the next municipal election. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the appointment of Russell Murdock to Alternate on the Board of Finance. His term will begin immediately and run to November 2, 2021, the next municipal election. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the appointment of Cynthia Barrett to the Conservation Commission expiring October 31, 2023.

9. New Business: None

10. Any Other Business: None

In response to Selectman Kinsella's inquiry as to how Camp Coch is doing this season, Bob replied that it was running very well.

11. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide